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Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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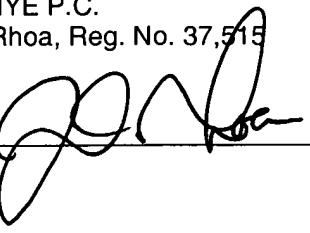
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Responsive to the Official Action dated April 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. *It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment should be entered since it only addresses formality issues raised by the Examiner under Section 112 (all claims have been indicated to be allowable over the art of record).*